

## Psychiatric Technicians (29-2053)

**Occupation description:** Care for individuals with mental or emotional conditions or disabilities, following the instructions of physicians or other health practitioners. Monitor patients' physical and emotional well-being and report to medical staff. May participate in rehabilitation and treatment programs, help with personal hygiene, and administer oral or injectable medications.

### Employment and Job Openings

	Average employment			Average annual openings		
	2010 estimate	2020 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	372	462	24.2	9	7	16
United States	74,900	86,400	15.5	1,160	1,300	2,460

#### Job outlook

**Alaska:** Alaska's employment growth is robust with high employment opportunities. [Read more.](#)

### 2013 Wages ?

	Mean Wage and 95% Confidence Interval			Wage by Percentile		
	Low	Mean	High	10th	Median	90th
United States	n/a	16.09	n/a	9.87	14.37	26.14
Alaska	16.36	18.92	21.48	12.46	17.22	28.09
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area (MSA)	14.39	15.92	17.45	12.19	14.34	22.41

### Labor Force Indicators

#### 2012 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
435	34	7.8	36.8	27.2

#### 2012 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	121
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	29
UI claimants previously working in occupation	46

#### 2012 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	102
Number of job position postings	58
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	1.8

## Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

**Education:** Postsecondary non-degree award

**Work experience:** None

**On-the-job training:** Short-term on-the-job training

## Training Resources

### Degree

#### Alaska Job Corps

Behavioral Health Aide

### Degree

#### University of Alaska Anchorage

Human Services

AAS

Human Services

BHS

### Degree

#### University of Alaska Anchorage, Mat-Su

Human Services

AAS

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